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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Jordan Bureau--July 1986

I. GENERAL

The visit to Jordan of Vice President Bush from 30 July to 2 August almost totally preoccupied the embassy for the entire month. Complicating the visit was the 2-day stay of the vice president's party in Aqaba, which necessitated duplicate logistical arrangements.

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The bureau contributed six spare Extel printers for use in the control/press centers set up both in Amman and Aqaba. Bureau technician [] provided much-needed technical and maintenance assistance.

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The visit was highlighted, as far as the American community in Jordan was concerned, by a reception at the Marriott Hotel at which the vice president and Mrs. Bush mingled with the assembled multitude.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Editorial/Monitorial

1. With the official closure of Gulf Bureau operations on 30 July, Jordan Bureau assumed primary coverage responsibilities for one additional press agency, four voice casts and 11 newspapers. The additional coverage includes the following:

- a. Bahrain: Manama WAKH Arabic/English
- b. Iraq: Baghdad Domestic Arabic
- c. Kuwait: AL-ANBA', AL-QABAS, AL-RA'Y AL-'AMM and AL-SIYASAH in Arabic, and the TIMES in English
- d. Oman: Muscat Domestic Arabic, 'UMAN in Arabic, and the DAILY OBSERVER in English
- e. Saudi Arabia: AL-DAMMAN AL-YAWM in Arabic and the SAUDI GAZETTE in English
- f. UAE: Abu Dhabi AL-ITTIHAD in Arabic and Dubayy AL-BAYAN in Arabic
- g. YAR: Sanaa VOP Arabic and Sanaa Domestic Arabic

2. The Jordanian Government closed 25 PLO offices in Jordan on 7 July and expelled Khalil al-Wazir, deputy commander in chief of the Palestinian Revolution Forces, due to "irresponsible, misleading utterances" by some prominent Fatah Revolutionary Council members against Jordan and its pan-Arab stands. The government also stated that this action was due to the sharp criticism in a 19 June Fatah Revolutionary Council statement "assailing" Jordan and its "clear policy." This was followed by a rare news conference on 12 July given by King Husayn to "local, Arab and foreign" journalists.

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At the press conference the king expressed full support for the Soviet-French proposal for an international conference on the Middle East. The text of the 44-minute Husayn news conference was broadcast by Jordan Television on the 13th, and was filed priority in seven takes.

3. The 22 July meeting between Israeli Prime Minister Shim'on Peres and Moroccan King Hassan II caused "strong" reactions throughout the region. Syria, which reacted in the severest manner, immediately broke diplomatic relations with Morocco, calling the action by King Hassan II "treasonous" and comparing it to the Al-Sadat Camp David meeting. The 2-minute Syrian statement was filed immediate.

4. In response to a request from Tel Aviv Bureau, we assumed responsibility for coverage of the West Bank Arabic papers from 28 June through 28 July during their Persian/Arabic monitor's leave.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. The bureau's monitorial staff increased by three during the month, with the EOD of monitor trainees [] on the 20th and the transfer from Gulf Bureau of Monitor Specialist [] on the 17th.

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2. Monitor [] was promoted to FBN-10/1 Senior Monitor on 8 June.

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3. Commo operators [] received PSI's to FBN-6/9 on 6 July.

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4. Deputy Chief [] departed for PCS to Headquarters on 21 July.

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Chief, Jordan Bureau

ATT: Monthly Production Report

JORDAN BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR JULY 1986

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	288,568
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	41,198
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	782

II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	BROAD-CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICATIONS
(MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	6598	15338	73

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CLANDESTINE (IRAN AND IRAQ)			
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN ARABIC	0		
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN ARABIC	0		
BAHRAIN			
MANAMA WAKH IN ARABIC		988	
ALSO: ABU DHABI WAKH IN ARABIC			1828
DOHA WAKH IN ARABIC			1888
MANAMA WAKH IN ENGLISH		948	
FRANCE			
PARIS RADIO MONTE CARLO IN ARABIC	18898		
PARIS AL-MUSTAQBAL IN ARABIC			8
PARIS AL-WATAN AL-'ARABI IN ARABIC			8
IRAQ			
BAGHDAD VOICE OF THE MASSES IN ARABIC	23488		
BAGHDAD VOICE OF PLO IN ARABIC	17218		
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	778		
BAGHDAD INA IN ARABIC		18488	
BAGHDAD INA IN ENGLISH		858	
BAGHDAD AL-JUMHURIYAH IN ARABIC			8
BAGHDAD AL-THAWRAH IN ARABIC			488
IRAN			
TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN ARABIC	558		
ISRAEL			
JERUSALEM IN ARABIC TO THE ARAB WORLD	4478		
JERUSALEM AL-FAJR IN ARABIC			888
JERUSALEM AL-MITHAQ IN ARABIC			8
JERUSALEM AL-QUDS IN ARABIC			168
JERUSALEM AL-SHA'B IN ARABIC			1288
JERUSALEM AL-TALI'AH IN ARABIC			8
JORDAN			
AMMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	15458		
AMMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	328		
AMMAN TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC	13898		
AMMAN TELEVISION SERVICE IN ENGLISH	178		
AMMAN PETRA-JNA IN ARABIC		3858	
AMMAN AKHDAR AL-USBU' IN ARABIC			458
AMMAN AL-DUSTUR IN ARABIC			6168
AMMAN AL-RAY IN ARABIC			4588
AMMAN THE JERUSALEM STAR IN ENGLISH			8
AMMAN JORDAN TIMES IN ENGLISH			3178
AMMAN SAWT AL-SHA'B IN ARABIC			4298
KUWAIT			
KUWAIT AL-ANBAR IN ARABIC			238
KUWAIT AL-QADAS IN ARABIC			128
KUWAIT AL-RAY AL-'AMM IN ARABIC			538
KUWAIT AL-SIYASAH IN ARABIC			1828
LEBANON			
NABAT 'UTUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN ARABIC	848		
OMAN			
MUSCAT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	238		
SUDAN			
KHARTOUM SUNA IN ARABIC		6558	
KHARTOUM SUNA IN ENGLISH		11758	
SYRIA			
DAMASCUS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	39848		
DAMASCUS TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC	2448		
DAMASCUS SAWA IN ARABIC		7868	
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES			
ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD IN ARABIC			668
DUBAYY AL-BAYAN IN ARABIC			248
YEMEN			
SANAA VOICE OF PALESTINE IN ARABIC	98		
SANAA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	2318		